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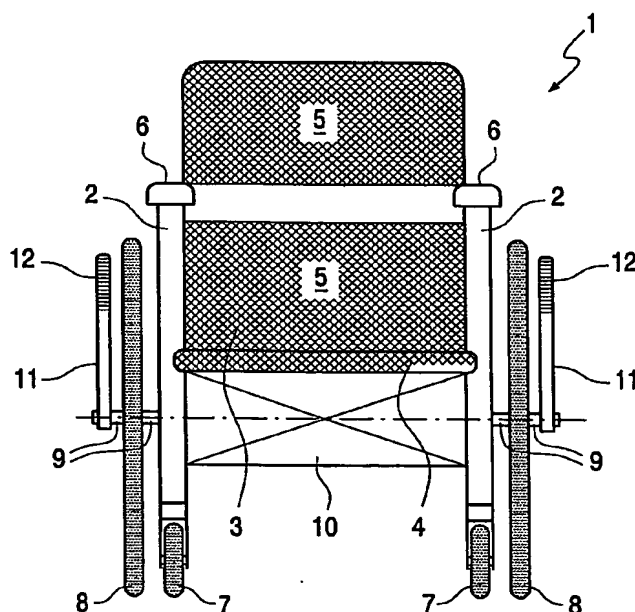
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(54) Title: **WHEELCHAIR AND OPERATING MEANS FOR USE IN SUCH A WHEELCHAIR**



(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a wheelchair, comprising: an assembly of a chair unit for a user and a support base supporting the chair unit, wherein the support base is provided with a number of carrying wheels for carrying the assembly, drive means connected to the assembly for driving at least one carrying wheel, and operating means connected to the assembly for operating the drive means. The invention also relates to operating means for use in such a wheelchair.



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